

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
WESTERN DIVISION

No. 5:15-CV-00429-D

PEOPLE FOR THE ETHICAL TREATMENT	)	
OF ANIMALS, INC.,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	<u>LOCAL RULE 7.1(g) NOTICE</u>
v.	)	
	)	
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF	)	
AGRICULTURE, et al.	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

NOW COME Defendants, by and through the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of North Carolina, and give notice pursuant to Local Civil Rule 7.1(g) of a decision of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia in Animal Legal Defense Fund v. Vilsack, No. 1:14-CV-1462-CKK (D.D.C. Mar. 14, 2016) [DE-48], which contains analysis of the same legal issues that are presented in this case and provides persuasive authority in further support of Defendants' Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings [DE-8].

Respectfully submitted, this 15th day of March, 2016.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that I have this 15th day of March, 2016, served a copy of the foregoing upon Jonathan D. Sasser and Joseph Hammond with Ellis & Winters, LLP, by electronically filing the foregoing with the Court on this date using the CM/ECF system or by placing a copy in the U.S. Mail.

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